SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments due: March 24, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Mildred M. Hamman, Reports Liaison Officer, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, S.W., Room 4238, Washington, D.C. 20410–5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mildred M. Hamman, (202) 708–0846, for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents. (This is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; e.g, permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Certificate of Completion—Consolidated.

OMB Control Number: 2577-0021.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: HUD needs the information on the Certificate of Completion—Consolidated because it transmits information from the PHAs to HUD concerning the completion of construction contracts; this information is needed so that HUD may authorize payment of funds due the contractor or developer. The information is supplied

by the project architect, assembled and forwarded by the PHA.

Members of affected public: State or Local Government.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: For the one form, on a once per project basis, 147 respondents, one response per project, 147 total responses, 1 hour average per response, 184 total burden hours.

Status of the proposed information collection: Reinstatement, with change.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: January 10, 1997. Kevin Emanuel Marchman, Acting Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

Form of Certificate of Completion— Consolidated

(Not to be used if there are any incomplete or unsettled items outstanding)

Certificate of Completion—Consolidated

This is to certify that all work and materials have been carefully inspected by duly authorized representatives or agents of the (name of owner , hereinafter called the Public Housing Agency (PHA), and that the (name of contractor), hereinafter called the Contractor, has furnished all labor materials, and services required for the (type of contract) of the (name and number of project), located in (city) (state) in accordance with the requirements of the Specifications and Drawings and Contract No. between the Local PHA and the dated Contractor.

This is to certify:

1. That all work covered by this contract, originally required to be completed on (date), was actually completed on (date);

- 2. That all changes permitted or required to be made, except minor modifications and field adjustments, have been authorized by written and duly approved Change Orders, and all stop orders have been confirmed and listed in writing;
- 3. That all Proceed Orders have been supported by approved Change Orders equitably adjusting the contract price and/or time, where adjustment is indicated;
- 4. That Change Orders Nos. constitute the only amendments to the contract price and/or time, and that ALL Change Orders issued in connection with this contract are listed on the attached Schedule;
- 5. That all certificate, bonds, guaranties, warranties, insurance, and tests required under the contract have been furnished or performed;
- 6. That the PHA has obtained from the Contractor the attached Certificate and Release releasing the PHA in full from all further claims under this contract;
- 7. That all laborers and mechanics have been paid not less than the minimum wage rates as established in said contract, and that

there have been no claims made for infringement of any patent;

8. That no claims of any nature by any laborer, mechanic, subcontractor, material man, or vendor are outstanding against the PHA; and

9. That:

Date for completion fixed in contract. Date for completion as extended .. Actual completion date of contract work. Original contract price\$ Authorized additions Subtotal Authorized deductions excluding liquidated damages. Adjusted Contract Price Total payments to \$ Contractor. Total Amount of\$ Liquidated Damages assessed. Balance and

10. That voucher for final payment in the amount of _____ (____) is due and payable.
. (Signatures)

Form of Signatures for Certificate of Completion

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(name of PHA)
By
Title
Date

D Concurred in:

Chief, Architectural (name of Architect)
Staff By
Date Title
Date

Labor Relations Approved for HUD: Specialist Date Date

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[Docket No. FR-4200-N-07]

Notice of Proposed Information; Collection for Public Comment

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection request described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comment on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments due: March 24, 1997. **ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding

this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Reports Liaison Officer, Office of Policy Development and Research, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451—7th Street, SW., Room 8226, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Judson James, 202–708–1336, x130 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available

documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collections to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

The notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Policy Development and Research—Business Establishment Survey for the Interim Outcomes Assessment of the Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities Program.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: HUD is performing an evaluation study of the **Empowerment Zones and Enterprise** Communities Program, called the Interim Outcomes Assessment. As part of that study, a survey will be conducted in a sample of the **Empowerment Zones and Enterprises** Communities, and within the sample sites, with a sample of business establishments. It is HUD's intent that this survey establish a baseline measure of the use and awareness of zone program services and incentives by zone businesses. A second set of surveys will be conducted three years later. A single instrument will be used to collect information over the telephone. The information collected includes information about the firm's knowledge

of the Empowerment Zone programs, their past and planned use of such programs, their perception of the zone as a place to do business, and some characteristics of firm (including number of employees and industry designation).

Members of affected public: Representatives of business establishments in the six Empowerment Zones (parts of Atlanta, Baltimore, Chicago, Detroit, New York, and Philadelphia/Camden.

Estimated Burden: 4,800 respondents (2,400 in each of two waves). 15 minutes per response on average, resulting in 1,200 hours of total reporting burden.

Status of proposed information collection: New.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Date: January 9, 1997.

Michael A. Stegman,

Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research.

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[Docket No. FR-4200-N-09]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments due: March 24, 1997. ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Reports Liaison Officer, Office of Policy Development and Research, Department of Housing & Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room 8226, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. Stacy Jordan, 202–708–0426 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for

review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

The Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: National LIHTC Data Collection and Analysis.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This research will collect basic data on LIHTC project placed in service in the years 1995 and 1996. A previous LIHTC data collection collected similar data for the years 1987–1994. The 1987–1994 database is available at www.huduser.org/lihtc/. The proposed collection would update the database to aid analysis of LIHTC projects and serve as a sampling frame for further research by HUD and others. The Department anticipates using the same data collection instrument for projects placed in service in 1997, 1998, and 1999, as these data become available from state housing agencies.

Attached is the survey instrument OMB approved for the previous LIHTC data collection. The Department anticipates collecting the same information to the extent that the it is available from individual tax credit agencies. Agencies will be allowed to provide the information either on the form or on a computer file.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: Members of affected public: 54 State and local housing agencies.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: Number of respondents, 54; number of responses per respondent, 1; total annual responses, 54; hours per response, 24; and total hours, 1,296.